

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A printing device comprising:
 - a medium conveyance section movable along a linear direction, on which a workpiece can be set for printing;
 - a fixed side structure that supports the medium conveyance section and has a covered space formed therein for accommodating the medium conveyance section, the fixed side structure including a first side, a second side, and a length between the first side and the second side, ~~the length only including a slide mechanism~~ the length being within the covered space, the fixed side structure including a slide rail, the slide rail being within the length of the fixed side structure, the length of the fixed side structure being substantially equal to length of the medium conveyance section; and
 - a head, provided on the fixed side structure, for forming images on the workpiece;
 - wherein the medium conveyance section moves along the ~~slide mechanism~~ slide rail of the fixed side structure;
 - wherein the medium conveyance section is at a first position so as to be within the length of the fixed side structure, when a power supply to the device is in an off state;
 - wherein the medium conveyance section is at a second position so as to project partially from the ~~slide mechanism~~ slide rail from the first side of the fixed side structure, when the workpiece is set on, or removed from, the medium conveyance section; and
 - wherein during a printing operation onto the workpiece, the medium conveyance section is controlled so as to move along the ~~slide mechanism~~ slide rail from the second position where it projects partially from the ~~slide mechanism~~ slide rail from the first side of

the fixed side structure to a third position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail from the second side, and then returns again to the second position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail from the first side.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 1, wherein the fixed side structure has a cutaway section for causing the medium conveyance section to be exposed, in an edge on the first side to which the medium conveyance section projects when the workpiece is set in position on, or removed from, the medium conveyance section.

4. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 1, further comprising a cover for covering the medium conveyance section when it is in a partially projecting state from the fixed side structure, the cover being provided detachably with respect to the fixed side structure.

5. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 3, further comprising a cover for covering the medium conveyance section when it is in a partially projecting state from the fixed side structure, the cover being provided detachably with respect to the fixed side structure.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 1, wherein the length between the first side and the second side of the fixed sided structure is longest.

8. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 1, wherein the medium conveyance section is a platen.

9. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 1, wherein the workpiece is a fabric.

10. (Currently Amended) A printing device comprising:

a medium conveyance section movable along a linear direction, on which a workpiece can be set for printing;

a fixed side structure that supports the medium conveyance section and has a covered space formed therein for accommodating the medium conveyance section, the fixed side structure including a first side, a second side, and a length between the first side and the second side, ~~the length only including a slide mechanism~~ the length being within the covered space, the fixed side structure including a slide rail, the slide rail being within the length of the fixed side structure, the length of the fixed side structure being substantially equal to length of the medium conveyance section; and

a head, provided on the fixed side structure, for forming images on the workpiece;

wherein the medium conveyance section moves along the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail of the fixed side structure;

wherein the medium conveyance section is at a first position so as to be within the length of the fixed side structure, when the medium conveyance section is accommodated;

wherein the medium conveyance section is at a second position so as to project partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail from the first side of the fixed side structure, when the workpiece is set on, or removed from, the medium conveyance section; and

wherein during a printing operation onto the workpiece, the medium conveyance section is controlled so as to move along the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail from the second position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail from the first side of the fixed side structure to a third position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail from the second side, and then returns again to the second position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~ rail from the first side.

11. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 10, wherein the fixed side structure has a cutaway section for causing the medium conveyance section to be exposed, in an edge on the first side to which the medium conveyance section projects when the workpiece is set in position on, or removed from, the medium conveyance section.

12. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 10, further comprising a cover for covering the medium conveyance section when it is in a partially projecting state from the fixed side structure, the cover being provided detachably with respect to the fixed side structure.

13. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 11, further comprising a cover for covering the medium conveyance section when it is in a partially projecting state from the fixed side structure, the cover being provided detachably with respect to the fixed side structure.

14. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 10, wherein the length between the first side and the second side of the fixed sided structure is longest.

15. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 10, wherein the medium conveyance section is a platen.

16. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 10, wherein the workpiece is a fabric.

17. (Currently Amended) A printing device comprising:
a medium conveyance section movable along a linear direction, on which a workpiece can be set for printing;

a fixed side structure that supports the medium conveyance section and has a covered space formed therein for accommodating the medium conveyance section, the fixed side structure including a first side, a second side, and a length between the first side and the second side, ~~the length only including a slide mechanism~~ the length being within the covered

space, the fixed side structure including a slide rail, the slide rail being within the length of the fixed side structure, the length of the fixed side structure being substantially equal to length of the medium conveyance section; and

a head, provided on the fixed side structure, for forming images on the workpiece;

wherein the medium conveyance section moves along the slide ~~mechanism~~rail of the fixed side structure;

wherein the medium conveyance section is at a first position so as to be within the length of the fixed side structure, when an operating key is selected;

wherein the medium conveyance section is at a second position so as to project partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~rail from the first side of the fixed side structure, when the workpiece is set on, or removed from, the medium conveyance section; and

wherein during a printing operation onto the workpiece, the medium conveyance section is controlled so as to move along the slide ~~mechanism~~rail from the second position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~rail from the first side of the fixed side structure to a third position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~rail from the second side, and then returns again to the second position where it projects partially from the slide ~~mechanism~~rail from the first side.

18. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 17, wherein the medium conveyance section is a platen.

19. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 17, wherein the workpiece is a fabric.

20. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 1, wherein the medium conveyance section is controlled so as to move from the second position towards the

second side until the center of gravity thereof passes the center of gravity of the fixed side structure, and then return again to the second position.

21. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 10, wherein the medium conveyance section is controlled so as to move from the second position towards the second side until the center of gravity thereof passes the center of gravity of the fixed side structure, and then return again to the second position.

22. (Previously Presented) The printing device according to claim 17, wherein the medium conveyance section is controlled so as to move from the second position towards the second side until the center of gravity thereof passes the center of gravity of the fixed side structure, and then return again to the second position.